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AN INTERESTING AND UNUSUAL

SIDE LIGHT ON THE 1794 DOLLARS

(And further proof that things happen in cycles.)

I have been fortunate in handling the three finest known specimens of this Dollar -- all of them in the past two years!

In my CHI-ANA Sale, Aug. 24, 1956, we sold a strictly Uncirculated specimen for \$8,000.00. There was no previous record of this coin as it was obtained from the Mint by a European collector prior to 1800 and remained in this estate until consigned to my sale.

One of the outstanding rarities in Abe Kosoff's fine sale at the Los Angeles Convention was another Uncirculated 1794 Dollar, originally from the famous collections of the late Virgil Brand, F.C.C. Boyd, et al. I was successful in obtaining this Dollar for a client, after considerable competition, for the neat sum of \$7,750.00.

Which coin is the finest? These two coins have been examined by both owners and each is convinced that his is the finest!

My personal opinion??? They are the two finest specimens known!

For the second time I have been awarded the Newcomber specimen offered for sale in this issue. It was purchased in 1941 from the Colonel Green Estate through the late B. G. Johnson. A short time later it was sold to the famous composer and collector, the late Jerome Kern.

The cycle has run its course -- I wonder when I will have another?

1794 Unc. or practically so. Sold to Jerome Kern from the Col. Green Collection as Unc. In the sale of Kern's collection it was listed as practically Unc. Was previously in the famous Newcomber Collection and generally considered the third finest known. A beautifully toned coin, only slight adjustment marks on reverse. Stars are exceptionally well struck. Photograph available to interested parties.

A Great Rarity, priced at \$5,250.00

1795 Flowing Hair, 3 leaves below eagle's wing. Fine plus...50.00
1795 Bust type, Bol. 14. Choice V. Fine, slightly off-center....75.00
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1796 Similar, Fine-V.Fine....50.00
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1797 Stars 10x6, Bol. 3a. Fine to V.Fine, slight adjustment marks 65.00
1798 Small eagle, 15 stars, Bol. 2. Very Fine, slight defect in field which does not detract from coin's appearance. Very rare and desirable125.00
1798 Lg. eagle, B-12. F-VF...32.50
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1799 Irregular date, 13 stars on reverse. V. Fine.....32.50
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United States Silver Dollars

1802 over 1, wide date, Bol.3. V. Fine plus42.50
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1802 Perfect date, Bol.6. Choice Ext.Fine, rare condition.....75.00
1802 Similar, V.Fine.....42.50
1803 Small 3, Bol.5, Rarity 5. V. Fine, a real buy at52.50
1803 Large 3. V. Fine.....37.50
1803 Bol.6a, Rarity 4. V.Fine..45.00

Liberty Seated

1840 First year, Fine.....15.00
1842 Ext. Fine20.00
1842 Choice V. Fine.....15.00
1846 V. Fine plus15.00
1846 0 Mint, Fine-V.Fine.....17.50
1848 Fine and scarce20.00
1872 Brilliant toned Proof.....60.00

1873 CC Mint, Very Fine and very rare. Priced for a quick sale at\$395.00

MORGAN DOLLARS

1878, 7 Feathers, Br.Unc.....\$2.50
1878-S, Ab.Unc.1.75; Br.Unc..2.50
1878-CC, Ab.Unc.2.00; Br.Unc..3.00
1879 Ab.Unc.1.50; Br.Unc....2.50
1879-S, Ab.Unc.1.50; Br.Unc..2.50
1879-CC, Ab.Unc.5.00; Br.Unc.10.00
1879-0 Mint, Br. Uncirculated..5.00
1879-0 Ex.Fine 1.75; Ab.Unc...2.50
1880 Brill. Proof (1,355)50.00
1880 Ab.Unc.1.50; Br.Unc...2.50
1880-S, Ab.Unc.1.50; Br.Unc..2.50
1880-CC-Mint, Br.Uncirculated..5.00
1880-0, Ex.Fine 1.75; Br.Unc..4.50
1881 Ab.Unc.1.50; Br.Unc...2.50

Whenever we hear the word "franc" we automatically think of France because francs have, for many centuries, been identified with France. Yet there are francs in Belgium and Switzerland, and at one time during the 19th Century, even in such portions of Italy as Lucca, and Savoy. Francs are also used in all French possessions overseas, in the Kingdom of Albania until World War II, and as "gold franc," the French denomination has been a kind of international currency throughout the world, especially in Europe.

The word "franc" means "frank," that is, to be free, and was attached at first to a Germanic people who settled in parts of ancient France. Around 500 A.D. the Franks became the ruling state within France and the word "France" began to take on its present-day meaning. However, it was not until the Kingdom of the French Kings was well established that the first coin called a "franc" made its appearance.

During the 13th Century, a thin gold coin bearing a standing figure of the king became a much sought-after standard gold piece that was imitated in many other countries later, notably the Lowlands and Italy. This coin was known as "Franc a pie," meaning "Franc with the standing figure," to distinguish it from another similar gold coin showing an armored horseman, and known as "Franc a cheval," or Franc with the horse." The standing figure type was by far more popular and eventually became known simply as "franc."

With the gradual decline of economic conditions towards the close of the 16th Century, the gold franc made way for a silver franc, roughly the equivalent of a dollar-size silver coin, although somewhat lighter. It had the bust of King Henry on the obverse and a cross on the reverse. The silver franc continued to be issued until the silver ecu or dollar of Louis XIII gave France its first true silver Crown. From about 1640 to the French Revolution, the franc disappeared from the French currency system. But the fall of the monarchy made the French Government look for a new denomination that could better express their break with the old traditions. At first, they called their new unit "livre" or "pound." Crowns of six livres silver replaced the old Royal ecu, but the six-unit system proved inconvenient; besides, the term "pound" also gave rise to confusion with the weight unit of that time.

MORGAN DOLLARS

1881-S, Ab.Unc. 1.50; Br.Unc.. 2.50
1881-CC, Ab.Unc. 2.00; Br.Unc.. 4.25
1881-0, Ab.Unc. 1.75; Br.Unc... 3.00
1882 Ab.Unc. 1.50; Br.Unc.... 2.50
1882-S, Ab.Unc. 1.50; Br.Unc.. 2.50
1882-CC, Ab.Unc. 1.75; Br.Unc.. 3.50
1882-0, Ab.Unc. 1.75; Br.Unc.. 3.00
1883 Br. Proof (1,039) 50.00
1883 Ab.Unc. 1.50; Br.Unc..... 2.50
1883-S Mint, Br.Uncirculated... 6.00
1883-CC Mint, Br. Unc..... 3.75
1883-0, Ab.Unc. 1.75; Br.Unc... 3.00

NOTE: Most of those listed as Ab. Unc. are actually Uncirculated, but have bag or handling marks. They are still desirable and acceptable coins.

1884 Br. Proof (875) 60.00
1884 Ab.Unc. 1.50; Br.Unc.... 2.50
1884-S Mint, V.Fine..... 3.50
1884-CC, Ab.Unc. 2.00; Br.Unc.. 3.75
1884-0, Ab.Unc. 1.75; Br.Unc... 3.50
1885 Br. Proof (930) 55.00
1885 Ab.Unc. 1.50; Br.Unc.... 2.50
1885-S, Ab.Unc. 2.50; Br.Unc.. 5.00

THE FRANC THROUGH THE AGES
(continued)

Thus, in 1794, it was decided to replace the old six-livres coins with new 5 Franc pieces, showing the Hercules group (in the Louvre Museum) on the obverse and the value on the reverse. This type was repeated year after year and revived twice during subsequent republican governments, even as late as the end of the 19th Century.

From 1795 to World War I, the 5 Franc piece was of uniform weight and size and a franc was roughly the size and value of an American 25 cent piece.

Came the end of the war and inflation, even among the victors. Only paper money was issued until, in 1921, the French Chamber of Commerce issued a small brass coin of 1 Franc, worth a fraction of its silver pre-war equivalent. In American money it varied between seven and three cents. During World War II, this franc coin changed its metal to the cheaper aluminum, worth only about a quarter of a cent now. The post-war period did not improve French economic conditions and today no franc coins are issued at all. A franc no longer buys anything. Nothing less than a 5 franc piece makes sense in the currency system.

-- Hans Holzer

MORGAN DOLLARS

1885-0, Ab.Unc. 2.00; Br.Unc... 3.50
1885-CC, Ab.Unc. 3.00; Br.Unc.. 5.00
1886 Ab.Unc. 1.75; Br.Unc.... 3.00
1886-S Mint, Br.Uncirculated... 5.00
1886-0, F-VF 2.00; Abt.Unc... 6.00
1887 Ab.Unc. 2.00; Br.Unc.... 3.50
1887-S Mint, Br.Uncirculated... 3.75
1887-0, Ab.Unc. 2.00; Br.Unc... 3.75
1888 Ab.Unc. 2.00; Br.Unc.... 3.50
1888-S, Br.Uncirculated..... 3.75
1888-0, Ab.Unc. 1.75; Br.Unc.... 3.50
1889 Ab.Unc. 1.50; Br.Unc.... 2.75
1889-S, Ab.Unc. 2.00; Br.Unc... 3.75
1889-CC, Fine 6.00; Ab.Unc.... 35.00
1889-0, X. Fine to Ab.Unc..... 3.50
1890 Br. Proof (590) 75.00
1890 Ab.Unc. 1.50; Br.Unc.... 2.50
1890-S, Ab.Unc. 1.50; Br.Unc.. 2.50

REMEMBER ! Our Abt. Unc. will compare favorably with many of those being offered as Uncirculated.

1890-CC, X.F. 2.00; Br.Unc... 3.75
1890-0, V.F. 1.50; Abt.Unc.... 3.00
1891 Ab.Unc. 1.50; Br.Unc.... 2.50
1891-S Mint, Br.Uncirculated... 3.50
1891-CC Mint, Br.Uncirculated.. 4.00
1892 Ab.Unc. 2.00; Br.Unc.... 3.75
1892-S Mint, Fine-V.Fine..... 3.50
1892-CC, Ab.Unc. 2.50; Br.Unc. 4.00
1892-0 Mint, Br. Uncirculated... 12.50
1892-0, V.F. 2.00; Ab.Unc... 5.00
1893 Br. Proof (792) 65.00
1893 Ab.Unc. 2.50; Br.Unc... 5.00
1893-CC Mint, Br.Uncirculated. 22.50
1893-0 Mint, Br.Uncirculated... 15.00
1894 Br. Proof (972) 55.00
1894-S Mint, Br.Uncirculated... 6.00



1895 Br. Proof (880) 675.00

Proofs of most other dates are also in stock.

1895-0 Mint, rare, Unc..... 27.50
1896 Ab.Unc. 2.00; Br.Unc.... 3.75
1896-S, V.F. to X.Fine..... 2.50
1896-0, V.Fine 1.75; Ex.Fine.. 3.50
1897 Ab.Unc. 1.50; Br.Unc.... 2.50
1897-S, Ab.Unc. 1.50; Br.Unc.. 2.50

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Morgan Dollars

1897-0, About Uncirculated.....	6.00
1898 Ab.Unc. 2.00; Br.Unc....	4.00
1898-S, Br. Proof-like gem.....	15.00
1899-S, Ab.Unc.3.00; Br.Unc..	5.00
1899-0, Ex.Fine 2.50; Unc....	6.50
1900 Br. Proof (912)	55.00
1900 Ab.Unc. 1.75; Br.Unc....	3.00
1900-S Mint, Br.Uncirculated...	3.50
1900-0, Ab.Unc. 2.00; Br.Unc..	3.75
1901-S Mint, Br.Uncirculated...	3.75
1902-S, Br. Uncirculated.....	4.25
1903 Ab.Unc. 1.50; Br. Unc....	2.50
1903-S, Fine 3.50; Br.Unc....	37.50
1903-0, V.Gd-Fine.....	17.50
1904 Ab.Unc. 2.50; Br.Unc....	5.00
1904-S, Br.Uncirculated.....	12.50
1904-0, Fine-V.Fine.....	5.00
1921 P D or S, Choice Br.Unc...	2.50

PEACE DOLLARS

1921 Br. Uncirculated.....\$	8.50
1921 Ext.Fine 2.50; Ab.Unc..	3.50
1922 P or S Mints, Br. Unc....	2.00
1922 D, Ab.Unc.1.50; Br.Unc.	3.00
1923 P or S Mints, Br. Unc....	2.50
1923 D, Ab.Unc.1.50; Br.Unc.	3.50
1924 Br. Uncirculated.....	2.00
1924 S, Ab.Unc.1.50; Br.Unc.	3.75
1925 Br. Uncirculated.....	2.50
1925 S, Ab.Unc.1.50; Br.Unc..	3.00
1926 Br. Uncirculated.....	2.50
1926 S, Ab.Unc.1.50; Br.Unc.	3.00
1926 D, Ab.Unc.2.00; Br.Unc.	6.00
1927 Ex.Fine 1.75; Br.Unc...	4.50
1927 S, Ab.Unc.1.50; Br.Unc.	5.00
1927 D, Ab.Unc.3.00; Br.Unc.	8.50
1928 Abt. Unc. 5.00; Br.Unc.	8.50
1928 S, Ab.Unc.2.00; Br.Unc.	3.75
1934 Abt.Unc. 2.00; Br.Unc.	4.50
1934 S Mint, Uncirculated.....	35.00
1934 D, Ab.Unc.2.50; Br.Unc.	6.00
1935 Abt. Unc. 2.00; Br.Unc.	5.00
1935 S, V.Fine 2.00; Br.Unc..	12.50

QUARTERS

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1932 Brill. Uncirculated	\$ 3.75
1932 V. Fine 75¢; Abt.Unc....	2.00
1932 S Mint, Brill. Unc.....	25.00
1932 S Mint, Pract. Unc.....	15.00
1932 S, V.Good 2.00; Ex.Fine.	8.50
1932 D Mint, Brill. Unc.....	67.50
1932 D Mint, Ex.Fine-Abt.Unc.	28.50
1932 D, V.Good 2.50; V.Fine.	12.50
1934 Brill. Uncirculated.....	4.00
1934 V. Fine 1.00; Ext.Fine..	1.50
1934 D Mint, Brill. Unc.....	10.00
1935 V. Fine 75¢; Br.Unc....	3.75
1935 S Mint, Brill. Unc.....	10.00
1935 D, V. Fine 1.25; Br.Unc.	9.50
1936 Brill. Uncirculated.....	3.00

QUARTERS

1936 S Mint, Brill. Unc.....	9.50
1936 D Mint, Brill. Unc.....	62.50
1937 Brill. Uncirculated.....	3.00
1937 S Mint, Brill. Unc.....	9.75
1937 D Mint, Brill. Unc.....	3.50
1938 Brill. Uncirculated.....	15.00
1938 S Mint, Brill. Unc.....	6.00
1939 Brill. Uncirculated.....	3.00
1939 S Mint, Brill. Unc.....	7.50
1939 D Mint, Brill. Unc.....	3.00
1940 Brill. Uncirculated.....	4.00
1940 S Mint, Brill. Unc.....	1.75
1940 D Mint, Brill. Unc.....	7.50
1941 Brill. Uncirculated.....	1.25
1941 S Mint, Brill. Unc.....	2.00
1941 D Mint, Brill. Unc.....	1.50
1942 Brill. Uncirculated.....	1.25
1942 S Mint, Brill. Unc.....	3.00
1942 D Mint, Brill. Unc.....	1.50
1943 Brill. Uncirculated.....	1.00
1943 S Mint, Brill. Unc.....	2.00
1943 D Mint, Brill. Unc.....	1.00
1944 Brill. Uncirculated.....	.75
1944 S, a sleeper, Br. Unc....	1.25
1944 D Mint, Brill. Unc.....	.75
1945 P S or D Mints, Br. Unc...	.75
1946 P S or D Mints, Br. Unc...	.75
1947 P S or D Mints, Br. Unc...	.75
1948 P S or D Mints, Br. Unc...	.75
1949 P or D Mints, Br. Unc....	.75
1950 Brilliant Proof	10.00
1950 P S or D Mints, Br. Unc...	.75
1951 Brilliant Proof	6.50
1951 P or D Mints, Br. Unc....	.60
1951 S, a sleeper, Br. Unc....	1.75
1952 Brilliant Proof	5.00
1952 P or D Mints, Br. Unc....	.60
1952 S Mint, Brill. Unc.....	1.00
1953 Brilliant Proof	3.00
1953 P S or D Mints, Br. Unc....	.60
1954 Brilliant Proof	2.00
1954 P S or D Mints, Br. Unc...	.50
1955 Brilliant Proof.....	1.50
1955 P or D Mints, Br. Unc....	.50
1956 Brilliant Proof.....	1.25
1956 P or D Mints, Br. Unc....	.50
1957 Brilliant Proof.....	1.00
1957 P or D Mints, Br. Unc....	.50
1958 Brilliant Proof.....	1.00
1958 P or D Mints, Br. Unc...	.50

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1935 Texas Set	13.75
1936 Texas Set	13.75
1937 Texas Set	15.00
1938 Texas Set	45.00
1934 Boone	6.00
1935 Boone Set	18.50
1935 Boone Set, small 34	250.00
1936 Boone Set	20.00
1937 Boone Set	197.50
1938 Boone Set	335.00
1935 Arkansas Set	17.50
1936 Arkansas Set	15.00
1937 Arkansas Set	17.50
1938 Arkansas Set	50.00
1939 Arkansas Set	250.00
1926 Oregon P mint.....	4.50
1926 Oregon S mint	4.25
1928 Oregon	6.25
1933 Oregon D mint	8.50
1934 Oregon D mint	5.00
1936 Oregon	4.50
1936 Oregon S mint	8.00
1937 Oregon D mint	4.50
1938 Oregon Set	15.00
1939 Oregon Set	60.00
1946 B.T.W. Set	4.00
1947 B.T.W. Set	6.50
1948 B.T.W. Set	9.00
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BOONE MEMORIAL HALF DOLLAR

This coin commemorates both the 200th anniversary of the birth of Daniel Boone and the Pioneer Year as designated by the American Order of Pioneers, Inc., Washington, D. C.

Boone was born near the present site of Reading, Pa. In 1775 he led to Kentucky a party of settlers who founded Boonesborough, long an important settlement. Boone died in 1820 at the age of 86 years. In 1845 his body was removed to Frankfort, Kentucky, where a monument has been erected to his memory.

The proceeds from the sale of these coins were to be used to purchase, and turn over to the Federal Government, four shrines of Boone history -- Boonesborough, Boone's Station, Bryans Station and Blue Licks Battlefield. The shrines were to compose the Pioneer National Monument, created by Congress at the request of the Kentucky Commission. The monument, or park, was to parallel the Colonial National Monument in Virginia.

OBVERSE: Portrays Boone facing left, at the age of forty-one to forty-eight years, at the time of his great career as a pioneer in Kentucky. No portrait of Boone was made until shortly before his death in 1820 and this is the conception of the sculptor, Mr. Lukeman, after consulting various descriptions of the pioneer. Above, "United States of America," below, "Half Dollar."

REVERSE: There is depicted Chief Black Fish of the Shawnees, negotiating a treaty with Boone on the eve of the memorable nine-day siege of Fort Boonesborough in September, 1778. Boone had just escaped from several months captivity, during which time Chief Black Fish had adopted him as his son and named him "Black Turtle." Boone is shown in pioneer garb, gun in hand, and Chief Black Fish has a raised tomahawk. Above, "E Pluribus Unum" and near edge, "In God We Trust." To left of Boone, "Daniel Boone Bicentennial," and below is pictured Fort Boonesborough. To right of Chief Black Fish, "Pioneer Year," and below, the rising sun coming over the horizon; below, "1934."

The coin was designed by Augustus Lukeman, New York sculptor, and dies were made at the Philadelphia Mint. However, the coins were struck at all three mints.

ALL ITEMS LISTED ARE IN STOCK AS OF NOV. 1, 1958.